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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE APPLICATION OF)
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Andrew Connell et al.) Group Art Unit No.
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FOR: Formation of Materials such as Waveguides)
with a Refractive Step)

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CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

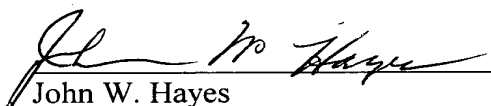
Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Under the International Convention, for the purposes of priority, applicant claims the benefit of European Application No. 00650200.9, filed November 28, 2000.

Date: November 27, 2001

Respectfully submitted,


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